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REMARKS

The present response is intended to be fully responsive to all points of objection and/or rejection raised by the Office Action and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Applicants assert that the present invention is new, non-obvious and useful. Prompt consideration and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

Status of Claims

Claims 1-3, 5-12, 14-15, 19-21 and 23-27 are pending in the application. Claims 20 and 21 have been amended. Claim 22 has been canceled, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Applicant respectfully asserts that the amendments to the claims add no new matter.

Allowable Subject Matter

In the Office Action, the Examiner stated that claims 1-3, 5-13, 14-15, 19 and 23-27 are in condition for allowance. Furthermore, the Examiner stated that claims 20-22 are objected to because of certain informalities, but would be allowable if the informalities are corrected.

Claims 20-21 have been amended and now depend from independent base claim 11. The erroneous term "convolevers" in claims 20-21 has been replaced with the correct term --convolvers--. Applicants respectfully assert that the Application is now in condition for allowance.

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In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, the pending claims are deemed to be allowable. Their favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner have any question or comment as to the form, content or entry of this Amendment, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below. Similarly, if there are any further issues yet to be resolved to advance the prosecution of this application to issue, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned counsel.

Please charge any fees associated with this paper to deposit account No. 50-3355.

Respectfully submitted,



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